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APPROVAL OF UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF EGYPT

Industrial Vocational Training Centre
(EGY/79/001)

Report of the Administrator*

Date of present approval:	April 1979
Starting date of project activities:	April 1979
Planned completion date:	March 1981
To be executed by:	General Organization for Industrialization (GOFI)
Co-operating agency:	International Labour Organisation (ILO)
Estimated cost of assistance planned under present approval:	$1 675 400 (UNDP financed: $ 175 400) (Third-party cost sharing: $1 500 000)
Source of UNDP financing:	Indicative Planning Figure (IPF)

I. Background

1. Following the completion of the study on the industrial potential of the Suez Canal Region (EGY/76/001/01) 1/, the Industrial Vocational Training Centre (IVTC) in the 10th of Ramadan City was identified as one of the projects of a priority nature to promote industrial activities in the Region. The Centre will be established in the "10th of Ramadan City" situated midway between Cairo and Ismailia. This is in line with Government policy relating to new communities, industrial development and employment generation.

2. The project will be executed by the General Organization for Industrialization (GOFI), and will be affiliated to the Productivity and Vocational Training Department within the Ministry of Industry. The International Labour Organisation (ILO) has been designated as the co-operating Agency.

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II. Objectives and activities

3. The long-range objective of the project is to promote industrial development in newly established communities located in desert areas. The immediate objective is to establish a vocational training complex in the 10th of Ramadan City, which will provide training for the skilled and semi-skilled workers needed for production and maintenance in industrial enterprises currently being established there. The training planned is in line with the planned skill needs for a new city of 500,000 people, and the industries to be situated there.

4. The site of the training complex has been chosen, and the necessary buildings nearly completed. The staff and students have been identified for training to start in October 1979.

III. Inputs

5. The expertise to be provided by UNDP through the co-operating Agency will include an industrial training expert (6 man-months),an expert in audio-visual aids (3 man-months) and short-term consultants in vocational training techniques (16 man-months). Fellowships (24 man-months) will also be provided. The cost-sharing contribution from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries Special Fund is directed towards the equipment component.

6. The Government is providing the land, buildings and accommodations for the trainees, the necessary counterpart staff as well as the additional equipment needed for the establishment of the training complex directly to the project.

IV. Financial data

7. The expenditure components of the planned assistance are as follows:

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Personnel	125 100
Training	44 700
Equipment	1 500 000
Miscellaneous	5 600
Total	1 675 400
Financed by:	
UNDP	175 400
OPEC Special Fund contribution	1 500 000

8. The estimated total value, expressed in US dollars, of inputs provided directly by the Government to the project is $3,250,000 of which $2,000,000 is in kind and $1,250,000 is in cash.